

Public Hearing  
September 6,  
2005

**Village of Point Venture  
Public Hearing  
Tuesday September 6, 7:00 P.M.  
Venture Room at Point Venture  
555 Venture Boulevard S.  
Point Venture, Texas**

**MINUTES**

- A. Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.
- B. Roll Call** – Mayor Ratfield acknowledged that Council Members Leathers, Thomas, Nesheim, and Stuart were present, and Hruby was absent.
- C. General Business and Action Items:**
- 1. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Proposed Budget for 2005/2006** – There was discussion in regards to the question raised by Stuart as to whether contract people would remain on a contract basis or would they be hired as full-time employees. Ratfield stated that all would remain on contract basis until council decided through planning meetings what actions might be taken, Ratfield reported that due to a new legislative ruling there would be two public hearings on the budget and tax rate issues. Ratfield announced the next public hearing will be September 19, 2005 at 7:00 P.M. here in the Venture Room followed by a short council meeting to pass ordinances adopting the budget and property tax rate. Nesheim voiced his concerns about franchise fees being taken from the villages and going to the state. Nesheim reported having a conversation with TML and TML says that when the franchise period runs out the cities and towns will still receive fees but it is not clear what that will be. Nesheim stated that the bill was on Governor Perry's desk now and that lobbying both for and against was still ongoing.
  - 2. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the 2005-2006 Tax Rate** – There was a question as to whether there had been changes to the budget since the last city council meeting. Ratfield stated that there had been no changes.
- F. Adjournment** – Thomas made a motion to adjourn and Nesheim seconded the motion. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 P.M.

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Bill Ratfield, Mayor  
Village of Point

Venture

ATTEST:

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Jeanine Oglesby, Village Secretary